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SUBJECT: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON INTERNATIONAL
INVESTMENT

REF: STATE 007513

1. POST NOMINATES ULRICH KALBITZER, FRG MINISTRY OF
FINANCE, FOR PARTICIPATION IN SUBJECT PROJECT. BIO
DATA FOLLOWS:

NAME: ULRICH KALBITZER

PRESENT POSITION: DEPUTY TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR
FINANCE POLICY IN FRG MINISTRY OF
FINANCE

PREVIOUS POSITIONS: CREDIT ANALYST, MANUFACTURERS
HANOVER TRUST CO., FRANKFURT, 1972

EMPLOYED BY SPD FACTION IN BUNDESTAG
AS AIDE TO PROF. DR. ALEX MOELLER,
FORMER MINISTER OF FINANCE AND PRES-
IDENT OF KARLSRUHER INSURANCE GROUP,
1973. FYI: MOELLER HAD PRINCIPAL
RESPONSIBILITY FOR NEGOTIATING AR-
RANGEMENTS FOR GERMAN MARSHALL FUND.

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PRIVATE SECRETARY TO DR. HANS APEL,

MINISTER OF FINANCE, 1974-1975

SINCE 1975 WORKING IN DEPARTMENT OF
ECONOMICS IN MINISTRY OF FINANCE ON
IMPACT OF FISCAL POLICY ON PUBLIC
MATTERS

PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH: HAMBURG; [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 31 JUL 2013]

HOME ADDRESS: LEIBNIZ STRASSE 44, 5300 BONN-BAD
GODESBERG

EDUCATION: ALBRECHT-THAER-GYMNASIUM, HAMBURG,
1953-55; STOCKBRIDGE SCHOOL, INTER-
LAKEN, MASS., 1955-56; ABITUR FROM
WIRTSCHAFTS GYMNASIUM, HAMBURG, 1961;
SPECIAL TRAINING WITH DEUTSCHE BANK
AG, HAMBURG; STUDIED ECONOMICS AT
HAMBURG UNIVERSITY.

FAMILY STATUS: MARRIED; TWO DAUGHTERS AGES TWO AND
FOUR.

PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO U.S.: 1955-56 AS STUDENT IN STOCK-
BRIDGE SCHOOL, INTERLAKEN, MASS.

ENGLISH ABILITY: VERY GOOD

VISA ELIGIBILITY AND NAME CHECK OK.

2. KALBITZER'S PRESENT POSITION IN FINANCE MINISTRY EN-
TAILS RESPONSIBILITY FOR PRIVATE AND PUBLIC INVESTMENT
IN LESSER DEVELOPED REGIONS OF FRG AND EEC. THIS IN-
CLUDES INPUT ON POLICY REGARDING GRANTS,
CREDITS, TAX BENEFITS, AND GUARANTEE DESIGNED TO ENCOUR-
AGE DESIRED INVESTMENT. WITHIN GOVERNMENT APPARATUS, HE
IS INDIVIDUAL WITHIN FINANCE MINISTRY WHO COORDI-
NATES, ALONG WITH MINISTRY OF ECONOMICS, ADMINISTRATION
OF THESE VARIOUS INVESTMENT-RELATED POLICIES. KALBITZER
POSSESSES AN INCISIVE AND ANALYTICAL MIND, AND, GIVEN
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HIS CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES IN INVESTMENT AREA, IS CON-
SIDERED IDEAL CANDIDATE FOR SUBJECT PROJECT BY EMBASSY.

3. KALBITZER PLEASED TO BE CONSIDERED FOR
STUDY TRIP AND PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE FULLY IN GROUP
ACTIVITIES. HE HAS TWO PRINCIPAL PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS
TO PURSUE ON HIS OWN IN SO FAR AS TIME PERMITS:
(A) IMPACT ON SMALLER COMMUNITIES AND REMOTE AREAS FROM

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REDUCTION IN RAIL SERVICE. GERMAN BUNDESBahn HOPES TO REDUCE BY HALF ITS PRESENT RAIL SERVICE BECAUSE OF RISING DEFICITS, AND KALBITZER HAS BEEN PUT IN CHARGE OF STUDY ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL IMPACT ON COMMUNITIES AND PEOPLE CAUSED BY LOSS OF SERVICE. WILL TRAVEL AND SHIPPING BY ROAD BE ABLE TO TAKE UP SLACK; WILL REDUCTION RAIL SERVICE CAUSE DISLOCATION OF PEOPLE, LOSS OF JOBS, DECLINE IN COMMUNITIES, ETC. SINCE U.S. HAS GONE THROUGH MAJOR REDUCTION IN RAIL SERVICE, A PROCESS THAT CONTINUES TO PRESENT DAY, HE BELIEVES DISCUSSION WITH APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT, INDUSTRY, RAIL OFFICIALS WILL BE USEFUL IN HIS WORK. (B) INVESTMENT POLICY AS IT ENCOURAGES OR INHIBITS REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT. KALBITZER THINKS VISIT TO TVA WOULD BE USEFUL TO HIM. ALSO, POSSIBLY, SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES; NEW YORK PORT AUTHORITY OR OTHERS WHERE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS COOPERATE IN PROMOTING DEVELOPMENT THROUGH TAX WRITE-OFFS, INVESTMENT CREDITS, LOAN GUARANTEES, ETC.

4. KALBITZER COMES FROM POLITICALLY INVOLVED FAMILY. FATHER WAS SPD MEMBER OF BUNDESTAG FOR 16 YEARS AND MOTHER MEMBER OF BREMEN AND HAMBURG PARLIAMENTS AT DIFFERENT TIMES. HE THEREFORE HOPES FOR OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE AMERICAN POLITICS INCLUDING A PRIMARY ELECTION,

IF POSSIBLE. PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN POLITICS AT
PRECINCT LEVEL, FOR EXAMPLE, REGISTERING NEW MEMBERS IN
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PARTIES, GETTING OUT VOTE ON ELECTION DAY, PUBLICITY,
ETC.

5. KALBITZER HOPES NEW YORK IS ON PROJECT ITINERARY.
IF NOT, HE WISHES TO GO THERE ON HIS OWN. ALSO ASKS
FOR OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT CHICAGO WITH WITH GROUP OR
ALONE. HE HAS NUMBER OF PERSONAL FRIENDS AND ACQUAINT-
ANCES WHO HE HOPES TO SEE, TIME PERMITTING, AND WILL PRO-
VIDE NAMES AND ADDRESSES TO EMBASSY FOR FORWARDING TO
DEPARTMENT SOONEST.

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